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TITLE:

HINGE POSITION LOCATION THAT CAUSES PENDULOUS AXIS TO

BE SUBSTANTIALLY PARALLEL WITH DRIVE COMPONENT

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